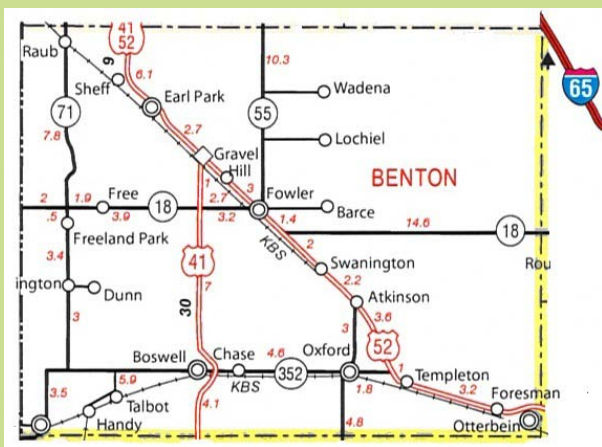


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OUR HISTORY

Benton County was formed in 1840 and is situated in North Central Indiana on the Illinois State line about half way between Indianapolis and Chicago. Benton County is steeped with rich history that includes: being known as one of Indiana's top agriculture communities, being known as the home of Dan Patch, Famous World Champion Harness Horse, and now being known as the home of Indiana's First Wind Farm.



Benton County
Courthouse

Established
1874



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Benton County

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Town of Boswell: 765-869-5951

www.townofboswell.com

Town of Earl Park: 219-474-6108

www.earlparkindiana.com

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WIND FARM TOURS

Tour Prices:

- *Groups of 20+ people:*
\$5 per person
\$3 per child/student
(College students with student ID)
- *Groups under 20 people:*
\$75 Flat Fee

Tour Hours:

- By appointment only. Please contact us.

Tour Includes:

- A video presentation with Q & A
- A view of a wind turbine from a 100 foot distance (with a signed waiver)
- Generally the tour lasts approximately one hour. However, upon request, tours can be customized to suit your needs.

Dining Options:

- Contact us for a list of local dining options. We can accommodate small or large groups.
- Bring your own sack lunches and enjoy it at one of our great parks!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q How many wind farms and wind turbines are located in Benton County?

A While future development is ongoing, there are currently three wind farms in Benton County. They are the Benton County Wind Farm, the Fowler Ridge Wind Farm and the Hoosier Wind Farm. There are over 400 total wind turbines in Benton County and still counting.

Q How big is a wind turbine?

A The size of a turbine depends on its manufacturer. The GE 1.5 megawatt turbines stand on a 240 feet tall column with 110 foot long blades. The total height of the GE 1.5 megawatt turbine, including the generator, is 372 feet. That's 12 feet longer than a football field!

Q How much electricity does one turbine generate?

A The amount of electricity generated by a wind turbine varies depending on the type of turbine. A 2.5 megawatt Clipper turbine can provide power for 700 homes.

Q Where does the electricity that is generated by the turbines go to?

A Electricity generated by the turbines is delivered to many different areas of the United States. Some of the electricity has been purchased by Duke Energy and has been sold to the Chicago market.